

Camp Hubbard
Thibodaux, Aug 9th 1863

Dear Mother,

I rec'd your very kind letter last evening containing some very useful articles. We wrote you at Donaldsonville for a box of things you *didnt* say any thing about it and we thought you had not got the letter and so I will tell you what I most it two or three pair of stockings, some towels and handkerchiefs, a needle book, a pocket bible, a pair of checked shirts cotton & some tobacco such as Best Griffin y used to keep. I don't know of any thing else that at present but you can put in what else you are a mind to, most any thing will be *acceptable* from home you know.

We have a fine camp here on Williams plantation, we expect to stay here the remainder of the summer, we are both in uncommon good health since we got here. I have fleshed up very fast. Harrison is the fattest I ever saw him before, the *watter* we get here is very poor, we have got some stone jars that we get out of a sugar house set in the ground under ~~the~~ our tent which makes the *watter* very good after it is settled from a piece of *watter* there is nearly an inch of mud settles in the bottom of the jar so you can judge what kind of *watter* we have to use.

Harrison says he wants you to send him ~~se~~ one pair of cotton stockings, you may send me also one or two pair of cotton ones. I have not time write any some you must excuse this short letter.

Give my love to all.

From your Affect. Son,

J. F. Brand